



The Chapel Herald

When the Color is Purple



As we continue in these last days in Lent, taking us to the Sunday of the Resurrection and Easter season next month, in our penitence let us remember the sense of wonder and awe that must widen our gaze to encompass the beauty of God's creation. May the cares of this world – which can burden us to distraction – never overwhelm us with such ennui that we miss the unexpected that can so often surprise our senses and

brighten a dreary day. How much regard and appreciation for wonder have we lost since childhood, when the miraculous seemed so evident and ubiquitous? Since when did we begin to see everything as so obvious and expected, while what was once a youthful gleam continues to darken, and the smiles become rarer and more forced?

Our children aren't here just to re-populate our existence, but to remind the forgetful of wonder, without which we can't really glorify God.

In Alice Walker's *The Color Purple*, two poor, black women are talking about God. One asks the other what makes God upset with us. The other replies: It's when you walk by the color purple in a field somewhere, and you don't notice it. We think pleasing God is all God cares about, but any fool can see He's always trying to please us back.

In this Lenten season when the color is purple, let's prepare for Easter by reclaiming a sense of wonder that will shout with gratitude for God's wondrous love!

Lenten blessings,

Pastor John

Holy Land Tour: Israel November 2-11, 2021

By Pastor Ashley N. Smith



This November, The Village Chapel and those from other churches - and the surrounding community- will have yet another opportunity to embark on a life-changing pilgrimage to The Holy Land. Even through the wake of the pandemic, the interest to visit Israel has not waned. Pilgrims who have visited Israel in years past are interested in going again.

Last year we took the largest contingency of non-Chapel folks than the previous trip. So interest is indeed community wide. Vickie and I still have significant relationships with couples who went from other churches. Lifelong friendships are not unusual to be formed on such a trip. There are several advantages to going with the Chapel's trip. First, it's the most inexpensive trip among the others offered, but in no way cheap. Next, we have two days in the Old City of Jerusalem; one day is guided, and the next day is a free day. Also, our group only moves hotels twice compared to more moves with other trips. We stay half the time on the Sea of Galilee, and the second half of the trip is in Jerusalem. The sights and experiences are breath-taking and astounding. The cost is all inclusive and is \$3905 per person; I will provide a brochure to anyone who asks.

This time we are going in early November (2-11) - No summer heat, no winter rains, no crowds! This is the perfect time to go, and Vickie and I will do our





best to personally serve you as needed. What's new this year is that the deposits are refundable for any reason whatsoever, so there is no pressure to commit. Please let me know if you are interested in going for the first time or again, and I'll send you a brochure of the details.

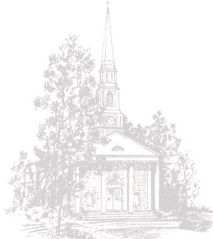
Shalom,
Pastor Ashley

The Baptism of
Colson Laine Brosch
February 12, 2021
with proud parents,
John & Alyssa Brosch



The Baptism of
Brett Neely
February 26, 2021
with proud parents,
Chase, Brynn
& big brother Connor





The Village Chapel
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Dear Friends of The Village Chapel,

One of the loveliest traditions of the church year is the placing of Easter flowers in the sanctuary of our Chapel. As in years past, you are cordially invited to be a part of this tradition by becoming an Easter flower sponsor.

Names of sponsors and loved ones honored or remembered will be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Easter is April 4 this year and the deadline for gifts is March 26. Please send your check to the church office or place in the offering plate and mark it for the Easter flowers.

Please indicate below if you wish to take an Easter plant after the 11:00 a.m. service. The remainder of the Easter plants will be delivered to shut-ins.

Grace and peace,

Pastor John Jacobs



Please print exactly as you wish to appear.

In memory of _____
by _____

In honor of _____
by _____



I will pick up an Easter plant: _____ YES
_____ NO, please deliver to a shut in.



The Village Chapel will be Hosting Our Annual



Easter Egg Hunt



Saturday, April 3, at 1pm

Candy Donations and Volunteers Needed!!

Please email Ms. Vickie if interested in helping!

vickie@tvcpinehurst.com

Youth Enjoy a Devotion Together by the Fire!



♥ Youth Celebrate Valentine's Day with Lesson on St. Valentine.....and a Party! ♥



Ava Taylor Walker wins Teddy Bear in Drawing.



Mr. Nathan Whitfield gives awesome devotion on St. Valentine and how "love" is shown in many wonderful ways.





Register NOW for Apostles Build!

Now is the time to register for the Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build. If you are over 16, a man or a woman, we need you to register, and volunteer. Go to the website, sandhillshabitat.volunteerhub.com, sign the waiver and enter the date(s) you can volunteer. There are Saturdays available also.

As you may know, The Village Chapel has committed for three days in April: **Thursday, April 15; Friday April 16; and Saturday, April 17.** **Saturday, March 6** is the community kick-off, Walls-Up Day- that is a fun day. And another church, Redeemer Presbyterian Church has asked for help on **Thursday, March 11 and Friday, March 12.**

The hours needed are from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, each workday. The address is 220 E. Virginia Ave (left from RT 705), Robbins. No tools are required; there are opportunities for all skill levels, including unskilled (like myself.) Teens can operate the power equipment if they are over 18. The staff at Habitat will show and tell us what to do.

All the work is outside for COVID-19 safety. No food will be provided due to pandemic protocol; bring fruit and snacks if you wish. Water will be provided. (A restaurant, Mona Lisa 11, is nearby on RT. 705. that has sit-down as well as takeout service.)

The Apostles Build is totally sponsored by financial contributions and volunteer efforts of the faith community. We are building the home for Mrs. Ofelia Lopez and her 2 children. She works at First Health in the cardiac telemetry department. To be a Habitat homeowner, she takes 15 hours of classes in home maintenance, contributes 300 hours of sweat equity, and then takes on the thirty-year mortgage. This is a fun way to put our Christian faith in action by this good and exhilarating work.

After you have registered, please email me, so I can make a note and be sure to thank you at one of the work-days.

Ann Torok, 910-235-9208/ aetorok@embarqmail.com
 Outreach Committee/ Apostles Build Chairman
 The Village Chapel



Farewells

Florence DeSandy, a former member of the Village Chapel, went to be with the Lord on January 13, 2021. Florence, who had been married to her husband Bob for 69 years before his passing in 2018, left Pinehurst after Bob's death and moved to Hixson, Tennessee to be near family.

Florence was a multi-talented woman, who had a successful career with Parke-Davis in Detroit prior to moving to Pinehurst. She was a member of the Daughter's of the American Revolution and loved golf. She attended the Village Chapel for many years and listed the Chapel as a donee in lieu of flowers. She will be laid to rest with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery and a memorial will be held at a later date.

We remember Bob and Florence with great affection and respect and are grateful that they gave their time and talents to the Village Chapel while living in Pinehurst.



Ellene Busby was called home to the Lord on January 29, 2021 while vacationing with her husband Jim in Florida. Ellene had been a member at the Village Chapel for twenty years where she contributed generously of her time and talents in many ways.

Ellene was born in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on June 28, 1942 into a large and close-knit family. She eventually found her way to Oklahoma City where she worked as an accountant while she worked on her CPA degree, which she passed on the first try. Meanwhile, Jim had also located in Oklahoma City working for Coopers Lybrand. They met, fell in love, got married on August 23, 1978 and started their own accounting business. In addition to the accounting business, they also invested in or owned an oil drilling company, a shopping mall and other enterprises.

Ellene loved to travel and she and Jim did a lot of it. They had their own plane and flew all over the United States looking for business opportunities and having a good deal of fun in the process. They also put thousands of miles on their RV. In 1989 they were in Greensboro, NC looking at business prospects when they learned of an opportunity in Southern Pines. They liked it, bought it, bought a home and hung out the Busby and Company shingle in February, 1989.

After several years at Brownston Presbyterian, the Busby's began looking at other churches and it was our good fortune that they decided the Village Chapel fit their spiritual needs. And the Chapel's financial needs were well matched to Ellene's financial skills. At one point, she served six consecutive years as Treasurer and, after a hiatus of three years, returned for another three years. She was deeply involved with financial planning for the original Christian Education center that was being planned in 2010 and was again in the middle of the planning for Heritage Hall. It is especially sad that she will not be here when construction begins in the

near future. We rest assured knowing that her spirit will be.

Her family described her as fiercely loyal to her friends and family. We know she was fiercely loyal to the Village Chapel. We are so grateful that after her full and interesting life, she settled down with us and applied her substantial skills and energy to fulfilling the mission of the Village Chapel. Thanks for that, Ellene, and God rest you.



A few months ago, we congratulated **Ellene Shannon** for joining our band of centenarians at the Village Chapel. On January 26, 2021, the Lord called her home. She died peacefully at Penick Village where she had resided for the past seven years. Her son John and her daughter, Carol were nearby.

Ellene was a fixture at the Village Chapel for many years, and before moving to Penick, she was very active in the community. She supported the Arts Council of Moore County, the classical concert series, the North Carolina Symphony, and the Moore County Choral Society, where John was the conductor for several years.

Ellene was born September 19, 1920, in Williamsport, PA, where she grew up and was an enthusiastic golfer, gardener, and dancer. She won golf tournaments, blue ribbons for floral design and loved both ball room dancing and square dancing with her husband Bill. She sang in the choir and taught Sunday School among other church activities.

Ellene and Bill had been visiting Pinehurst from Williamsport for thirty years before they moved here in 1984. They joined the Pinehurst Country Club where they continued playing golf and joined The Village Chapel, where their son John became the music director and, after thirty years, director of music emeritus. Ellen and Bill had been married for 55 years when he passed away on January 22, 1999.

Ellene was a loving mother, clearly proud of her children, and a warm and friendly congregant whom everyone loved in return. She always had a ready smile and a kind word for those who met her. She has been missed since she moved to Penick and became unable to attend services; but she was never forgotten. Nor will we forget her now that she has broken earth's bounds. We will continue to cherish her memory and all that she meant to the Village Chapel.

Funeral Arrangement Planning

Many people are unaware that funeral arrangements can be pre planned here at The Village Chapel. We keep these records and allow for updates and changes as they come. We have included information on the following pages that will give you an idea of what planning service we offer. If you would like to obtain a full arrangement packet, please contact Heather in the office. The pastors are always more than happy to assist in any planning or with questions you may have.

The Village Chapel

FUNERAL PLANNING FORM

Final Arrangements for: _____

Funeral Home: _____

Funeral Director: _____

Location of Service: _____

To be officiated by: _____

Military/Fraternal/Social Organization or Lodge Members to be present: _____

Veteran's Flag: Folded _____ Draped on Casket _____

Photo in Program: Yes _____ No _____

Psalm or Poem in Program: Yes _____ No _____

Eulogy Speakers: _____

Music: _____

Holy Communion: Yes _____ No _____

Reading or scripture selections: _____

Flowers: Yes _____ No _____

Memorial donations: Yes _____ No _____

Name of charitable organization: _____

Casket: Yes _____ No _____ OR Cremated remains present? Yes _____ No _____

Preparation and printing of the order of memorial services (usually provided as part of service by the church with assistance from family): _____

Name, address, and phone of cemetery: _____

Cemetery documents located: _____

Casket: Wood _____ Bronze _____ Copper _____ Steel _____

Burial Vault (usually required by cemetery/may be purchased through funeral home or cemetery-check on pricing): _____

Property or crypt purchased? Yes _____ No _____

Location: _____

No. of spaces: _____

Type of burial: Earth burial _____ Crypt _____ Mausoleum _____ Other: _____

Inscription to read: _____

Other information or instructions: _____

Name, address, phone number of funeral home or cremation society: _____

Urn: Bronze _____ Wooden _____ Marble _____ Other: _____

Location of cremated remains: _____

Cemetery: _____

Private estate: _____

Final Disposition: Earth Burial ___ Mausoleum ___ Crypt ___ Columbarium ___

Other: _____

Alternative disposition: _____

Type of memorial or monument: _____

Inscription: _____

Name: _____

Spouse's name: _____

Date and place of death: _____

Children/cities where they reside: _____

Grandchildren/cities where they reside: _____

Siblings/cities where they reside: _____

Parents/cities where they reside: _____

Date, time, and place of funeral or memorial service and burial: _____

Clergy/person officiating: _____

Address of funeral home: _____

Address of cemetery: _____

Memorial contributions may be made in lieu of flowers to: (optional) _____

Photo preferred: _____

Place and date of birth: _____

Education: _____

Wedding date: _____

Military Service: _____

Employment: _____

Religious affiliation: _____

Other affiliations: _____

Significant achievements: _____

Holy Week and Easter

at the Village Chapel

March 29th - April 4th, 2021



Meditative Organ and Piano Music

Monday through Friday 11:00am-12:00noon

Maundy Thursday Service

April 1 12:00noon

Good Friday Service

April 2 12:00noon

Easter Services

April 4 8:15, 9:30, and 11:00am at The Chapel, all with communion

visit our website at www.tvcpinehurst.com



The Village Chapel Music Series continues with a Lenten meditation on Friday, March 19 at 7:00pm. The Chapel's Director of Music Stephen Gourley will be joined by harpist Eryn Fuson and violinist Mallory Hayes in presenting an evening of Lenten reflection and meditation, focusing on the journey from Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday. All Chapel concerts continue to be available via livestream only. A link to the concert is available at the Chapel's website at www.tvcpinehurst.com

March Birthdays

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4 Landen Smith | Millard Welch |
| Brook Totten-Lancaster | 19 Henry Bahr |
| 5 Phil Martinello | 20 Roy Register |
| Phil Mullis | Abigail Smith |
| Dianne | Eva Shumski |
| Cole-Hall | David Oppen |
| 7 Anne Fox | 21 Chandler |
| Arlene Knapp | Adams |
| 8 Mary Delauter | Andrew Wilson |
| Char Rohr | 22 Janis Nestor |
| 9 Lawson Barrett | 24 Barbara Barnes |
| 12 Russell Zumwalt | George Drengler |
| Jeff Fox | 26 Buck Adams |
| 13 Cam Cantelou | Maribel Pena |
| 14 Ferrell Ann Harper | 29 Jackie Garris |
| 15 Amy Corcoran | Jennifer |
| Nathaniel Walker | Imperial |
| 16 Harriett Riley | Mary Barranti |
| 17 Gwen St. Clair | 31 Joe Oxendine |
| Walter Blackwell | |
| 18 Sybil Del Bueno | |
| Ford Grimshaw | |

Happy Anniversary

- 3** Nick & Cheryl Nickerson
- 4** Dave & Lin Cook
- Greg & Mandy Grimshaw
- 5** Jerry & Yvonne Taylor
- 13** Mike & Irene Bradley
- 19** Bill & Nancy Wetmore
- 31** Marjorie & Jan Ludwig

Please contact the office if your birthday or anniversary information is incorrect, or if you need to be added to the list.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10



We Need Graduation Guardian Angels

We can't wait to see everyone again! We remain extremely thankful for all the "blessings God has provided us" and especially our wonderful Christian family. Unfortunately, not all the youth of Moore County are sharing in these blessings.

Moore County High School Seniors wait to hear if they will have a prom, see their friends a few more times, and ultimately walk across the stage receiving their diploma. We imagine they are concerned about their future plans. This is added pressure to the 16 graduating unaccompanied/homeless youth.

Even in 2021, we would like to help these children of God, who will graduate in late May/June. We will furnish them each a VISA gift card to purchase clothing for graduation, defray enrollment costs for college, etc.

For the next weeks through May 15, we are inviting you to become a "Graduation Guardian Angel." You can make your check out to the Chapel and in the MEMO mark it "graduation" before depositing it in the Chapel mailbox OR you can go to the Chapel's website and under "Giving" make a credit card donation. In the drop-down menu select General Fund and in optional menu type "graduation." Please no later than May 15.

The "scholarship VISA cards" will be purchased and delivered to the High School Social Workers for distribution to preclude any embarrassment.

Bless you and thank you for your consideration.

Pastors John, Ashley, and Vickie

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